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Claims 1-34 are pending. Claims 1, 2, 3, and 16 are independent claims. Claims 4-15 and 32-34 are either directly or indirectly dependent on claim 3. And claims 17-31 are either directly or indirectly dependent on independent claim 16.

Claim Rejections under Sections 102 and 103

Claims 1-9, 12, 15-16, 19-25, 28, 31, and 32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Katzenmaier; claims 1-8, 10, 12-16, 19-24, and 28-32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ferrari in view of Katzenmaier; claims 17-18 and 33-34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ferrari and Katzenmaier; claims 11 and 27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ferrari and Katzenmaier and further in view of Gadsby; claims 10, 14, 26, and 30 stand